

Tilton Talk & Christmas Issue

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Christmas

Greetings

To the military and civilian personnel of Tilton, I wish to extend my sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, taking this apportunity to express my thanks for their efforts, devotion to duty, and cooperation.

To the patients who are not well enough to be with their families for the holidays - I wish a very speedy recovery realizing, as they do, that the sacrifices they made for the assurance of Victory and Peace - shall not have been in vain.

S. JAY TURMANT. Colonely Medical Corps

On behald of the staff of "TILIDE TALK," I wish to extend to all at Tilton General Hospital this holiday's greetings along with a hope for a successful and victorious New Year. Many thanks to all departments in the hospital for the splendid cooperation given "TILTON TALK" during the past year and I sincerely hope that both military and civilian personnel will continue to contribute to it as they have done in the past.

PAUL B. HENON

Capt., Q.m.C.

Public Relations Officer

El Tothe Personnel of the Second Service Command:

As we experience a reflective mood on the approach of Christmas, we will naturally ask ourselves if we have accomplished all that we should have to help our fighting forces win an early victory. All of the jobs in the Second Service Command are essential in the war effort. In answering our question, therefore, we will find what reason we have for celebrating the holidays. At this time, each one of us should resolve to do his job in the year to come with greater efficiency, so that we can answer our question with greater satisfaction one year from now.

To every member of the Second Service Command I extend my sincere thanks for the results achieved. I wish for every one of you a Happy Christmas this year, and a still happier one in the year to come.

T. A. TERRY,
Major General, U.S. Army,
Commanding.

Another year has passed and many of the old familiar faces have disappeared and their places have been taken by new ones. The results of this past year have been most gratifying, and while many of us must again spend Christmas far from home, we can look back on the achievements of 1943 with justifiable pride and the realization that the end of this year has brought us that much closer to final victory.

HENRY A. COTTON, JR., Lt. Col. Medical Corps Executive Officer

This is America's third Christmas at war; let us hope

This is America's third Christmas at war; let us hope it will be the last. With this thought, I wish to extend to the military and civilian personnel of Tilton my best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a New Year of Feace and Happiness.

E. A. HOWARD 2d Lt., MAC Adjutant DOLL HOUSE PRESENTATION

Soldier patients from a military hospital yesterday brought a gift of their own making to children patients of a civilian hospital. The doll house which patients of Tilton General Hospital have been making since last April was presented in the name of Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, the Commanding Officer of Tilton General Hospital, by Colonel Alexander Miller, the chief of the Orthopedic Section at Tilton to the Orthopedic Hospital and Dispensary in Trenton, N. J.

The occasion at which the presentation was made was the children's Christmas party held in the gymnasium of the hospital. Present at the party was Mrs. W. M. Dickinson, executive chairman of the board of directors, and Mrs. John A. Roebling, who accepted the doll house in the name of the hospital. The children crowded around the house as two of the Tilton patients, Pvt. George Stevens and Pfc. William Sperl, brought it into the room at the climax of the party. These two patients were responsible for the final work on the house.

Colonel Miller brought to the children the greetings of Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, and after telling briefly the story of the growth of the house, presented it to them in the name of the Commanding Officer and the American Red Cross. He expressed the hope that those confined at the Orthopedic Hospital would get as much pleasure from playing with the house as the patients have had in making it. Several of the childred able to walk came forward and sang a thank-you song to the Colonel as cameras clicked. Present also were: Major Seymour Katz, Special Service Officer, Tilton General Hospital, Mrs. R. W. Frome, Gray Lady from Moorestown, N. J., who directed the doll house project, and Miss Jeannette Caldwell, Head Recreation worker at Tilton Red Cross.

IVILIAN AWARDS BY COLTURNEULL



Last week, on the day designated by the War Dept., for the ceremony, 91 civilian employees of Tilton General Hospital received the Emblem of Civilian Service for services rendered as War Dept. employees during the last six months. The awards were made in the Detachment Dayrooom by Col. S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding Officer, Tilton General Hospital, and Lt. Walter S. Schreiner, Personnel Officer. The emblems were awarded on the basis of length of service and degree of efficiency displayed.

Col. Turnbull stated, "I can remember when civilian employees first came to Tilton in March 1941. I can see two of them here today." The three original civilian employees at Tilton were Misses Nellie Rura and Helen Burger and Vincent Bowden, now staff sergeant and chief Clerk of Military Personnel.

The first emblem was awarded to Miss Katherine Ryan, Chief of the Civilian Personnel at TCH. The ribbon itself is a small, blue decoration bearing the insignia of the Army Service Forces in the center.

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Capt Jack Messey, M.a.C.

C.O. DET. MED. DEPT.

"In this season for rejoicing, I wish to thank all members of the Medical Detachment for the wholehearted cooperation shown me from the very first day I became your Commanding Officer. Merry Christmas and a victorious, Happy New Year."

Copt.

Bette F. alter, W.a.C.

WAC

"The WAC Medical Detachment wishes you all a pleasant and Merry Christmas, filled with faith, foresight and enthusiasm in the approaching year."

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Harold a Press, M.C.

C.D. DET, OF PAPIENTS

"This Christmas, more than at other times, we have much for which to be thankful. The forward march of tyranny has been halted and the course of freedom is on the move. Before another Christmas, we hope this grim war will be won. In the meantime, we must look to the future with renewed courage, when the torch of liberty will again burn brightly to warm the hearts of every American. We must keep faith - Victory is on the way!"

1st. Sgt.

Michael J. Mc. Carroll

DET. MED. DEPT.

"Once again we come to the Yuletide Season, and it is with a deep sense of affection that the First Sergeant extends to every member of his detachment and also the members of the WAC Detachment, a Very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. May I appeal to each and every one of you that the greatest gift you can give this year, be a humble prayer on Christmas Morning to the "Heavenly Prince of Peace" that the suffering throughout the entire world due to this great conflict be brought to an early end, so that the loved ones of all people can be returned to their homes and happiness once again,"

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Walter S. Schreiner, M.a.C.

"Members of the Civilian and Military Personnel Office extend sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all at Tilton General Hospital.

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CHIEF MEDICAL SERVICE

"To "TILTON TALK" the magazine that renders a valuable service to this hospital, greeting and tidings of joy, and success for the New Year."

moj Seymour M.Katz, M.C.

SPÉCIAL SERVICE OFFICER

"Season's Greetings and a very Mappy New Year from the Special Service Officer to all military and civilian personnel of Tilton General Hospital."

Maj marston J. Woodruff, M.C.

CHIEF X-RAY SERVICE

"The personnel of the Roentgenological Service join me in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and in the fervent hope that the New Year may bring complete victory."

maj Solomon weintraut, m.C.

CHIEF LABORATOR) SERVICE

"In, a generation at war as we now live in, there is always the danger of becoming hardened in our sympathies and desensitized to human suffering. We at Tilton General Hospital through our daily contacts with our patients need fear no such immunization; but rather that we gain from these associations, a true understanding of the meaning of unselfish service for our country. We like to feel that from these unstinted self sacrifices will come a happier and better generation and that "peace on earth and good, will to men" shall be evertasting."

Capt. D. M. Jowns, M. a.C.

MEDICAL SUPPLY OFFICER

"The Medical Supply Section extends to all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy and prosperous year during 1944. But let us stop a moment during our festivities and rememberthose in distant lands the give their all, that we may be able to continue a free people."

ONLY LETTERS UNITE SOLDIER AND THE 300 YARDS APART: Camp Rucker, Alabama- (CNS)-Although Sergeant Russell E. Harris and his W.C. Corporal wife are quartered only 300 hundred yards apart, they write letters to each other three times a week. "We have very little time together," explained the Sergeant.

WACS WIN DRILL CONTEST: Blythe Field, California-(CNS)-WACS stationed here recently trimmed the male soldiers in a close order drill contest.



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GIFTS FOR THE PATIENTS.

Col. S. Jay Turnbull, Commanding Officer, Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, N. J. will make the presentation of gifts to representatives of each ward - on Christmas Eve - in the Patients Rec. Hall.

LITTLE SURGEON ARRIVES.

Capt. John Conley, Chief of the EENT Clinic, announces the birth of a baby boy to himself and wrs. Conley. The child was born in the New York Lying-In Hospital & has been named John Peter. Weight: 72 lbs. All concerned, including the father, are doing all right. Congratulations!!!

ENGAGEMENT. .

S/Sgt. Andy Caetta, Chief Clerk of the QM Office, and one of our good friends, has gone and done it - announcing his engagement to Miss Fauline Di Canio, of Brooklyn, NY, last Saturday, 18 December. What we're wondering now, andy- is how long it will be until you take the fatal step? Loads of luck and happiness!!

NEW CHIEF OF SURGICAL SERVICE.

Since we last put "TILTON TALK" to bed - as they say in the press game - Lt. Col. Henry A. Brodkin, former chief of the Surgical Service here at TGH, left - and we wish him well on his new assignment. Replacing him as the new chief of the SS is Lt. Col. Harold J. Dunlap.

PURPLE HEART. .

Two TGH patients were awarded the Purple Heart last week. They are: Fvt. Salvatore J. Tartaglia, Ward 12 (wounded in Sicily) and Fvt. Steve Likanchuk, Ward 18, who received the Oak Leaf Clustersignifying his second wound, was also hurt in Sicily.

Capt Bernard J. Carlin, the new Catholic Chaplain here; and the new Officers, nurses, WACs and enlisted men who have recently joined us. THIS IS FORT DIX.

The third anniversary broadcast of Tom Slater's all-soldier show, "THIS IS FORT DIX" originated from the Pat Rec dall TGH, last Sunday. The program which began in Dec 1940, started its fourth year at Tilton. . Colonel Holmes G. Faullin, CO of Fort Dix, delivered a short address at the start of the broadcast, surveying the history of the broadcast... As Tilton's contribution. Pyt

illiam Shoefield,
ward 28, an Infantry scout for the
45th Div in Sicily
a 1st Sgt Herbert
Merrill, ward 11, a
veteran of the Tunisian campaign with
the 1st Div. were

interviewed by Tom Slater. The TGH Ork directed by Sgt. Jack Schwartzer furnished the music with Sgt. Don Conant vocalizing.

"THIS IS FORT DIX" AT TGH DEC 26th.
The radio show will again originate from the Fat Rec Hall here with a full schodule of patients, a nurse & a MAC. Music by TGH Orchestra.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

. to one and all at TGH from "Buck" Brady-now a Captain- who used to be here. . And from wiss Daisie La Vigne on behalf of the Telephone Operators at TGH. . .

DETACHMENT PARTY. .

All sources heard from ... and decision unanimous: IT WAS A SWELL FARTY....

GOOD LUCK. . .

To Lt. Salvatore T. Ferrari, of the LENT- who has recently left TGH for a new post.

THANKS A MILLION. .

erest and cooperation have made this Christmas issue possible. Thanks !!!

ON-COMBATANTS SIGNED (CNS)

Every man in the job that suits him best-that's the gist of the new War Department manpower order which will reassign to other duties many soldiers not physically suited for combat action.

By rescinding previous orders and by establishing a new one in Circular 293, the WD has provided the assignment of all men to positions where they can render the maximum amount of service to their country.

Some assignments, the VD found, require enlisted men of unusual strength, stamina and all around physical ability but even in combat units there are many positions which may be filled by men of lesser physical attainments. Many men who are below current physical standards for induction are nevertheless extremely valuable to the army because of their training, experience, ability and demonstrated capacity to give service in some special assignment. These will be retained in the service and reassigned to jobs within their capacities.

Although the term "limited service" is discontinued, this doesn't mean that men formerly classified as limited service will be discharged from the Army. Nobody will be discharged for physical disability if he can be placed in a position where his talents and experiences make his work valuable to the Army.

VERSEAS G.I.S-WANT SCHOOLING

Soldiers overseas are becoming culture conscious according to the findings of a survey recently made public by Maj. Gen. Frederick H. Osborn, Director of the Morale Services Division.

The report shows that American soldiers stationed abroad want some means of continuing their education in their leisure time. Interest was expressed in such subjects as engineering, economics, the liberal arts and the sciences. Men wanted to know how they could "bone-up" on these studies.

Apparently the school-hungry soldiers were unacquainted with the armed Forces Institute which provides courses in all of these subjects and many many more besides.

The Armed Forces Institute is an organization set up within the Army to help the soldier who is ambitious to help himself. Through it enlisted men and women are encouraged to advance themselves both within the Army and as a preparation for a return to civilian life after the war.

A soldier may start taking a course from the Institute by sending a \$2 enrollment fee to the U.S. Armed Forces Institute in Madison, Wisconsin.

- Tilton Talk -

ct. Col. Harold g. Dwilap, Mr.C. SERVICE

"As the holiday season approaches, our thoughts go out to our many colleagues in the various theatres of operations. To them, prticularly, we wish a Joyous Christmas and a Successful New Year. Though our ranks are depleted, we will continue to carry on in the true Tilton Tradition."

Ct. Co. H. V. Fitzgerald, G. M. C.

POST QUARTERMASTE

"The members of the Quartermaster Service extend to all members of Tilton and their families our sincere wish for a Happy Christ-mas. The splendid cooperation given us during the past year by the personnel of the several Hospital departments is deeply appreciated."

et. Charles G. Sanner, D.C.

CHIER

"A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a VICTORIOUSLY HAPPY 1943 is the sincere wish of the Dental Service."

Copt. Privilla H. Droddy, a.n.C.

PRINCIPAL CHIEF NURSE

"I wish to extend my heartiest greetings for a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone at Tilton, with an expressed hope that our united elforts and willing sacrifices during 1944 shall hasten the dawn of eternal peace and goodwill among us."

Moj E.a. Hanna, M.C.

FOOD SUPERVISOR

"At this time of the year the Mess Department is glad that it is able to add something to the joys of the patients and duty personnel of Tilton General Hospital. I have had the pleasure of spending three Christmases at this post. Many of the faces present at that first Christmas are absent today, but wherever they may be the Mess Department trusts that they will be as thankful for the bread of which they partake as we will."

Copt Rubin R. Miller, Mac.

TRAINING DEFICER

"On behalf of the members of the Plans and Training Office I wish to extend to you all a Merry Christmas and a victorious New Year."

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G.D. Sidelights (C.N.S)

SERGEANT TELLS COLONEL WHERE TO HEAD IN: Norfolk, Va.-Lt. Colonel Leon J. Meyung, a new commander was running along the line in a practice march dressed in fatigue clothes when a sergeant stopped him.

"What in the hell are you waiting for," the sergeant snarled. "Get

in line."

Just then the Colonel realized that he had dressed in such a hurry he had forgotten to pin his silver oak leaves to the lapel of his fatigue clothes. He looked just like any other soldier. He started to explain to the sergeant but the latter just wouldn't listen.

"Get in line," he repeated. "And don't look so offended."

The Colonel fell meekly in line.

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5 DOGS LISTED ON HONOR.
ROLL: Sturbridge, Mass.—
This town's honor roll
of men and women in the
service also bears the
names of five dogs—members of the Wags.

GI IN TROPICS GETS CHRISTMAS SWEATER:
Panama-Pfc Nick Elsensohn has been
stationed in this tropical city for
six months but he never told his parents about it. Recently he received
a Christmas present from home----a
nice wooly sweater!

I wish they'd send the sweater to Lana Turner," commented Nick. "Me, -- I prefer an electric fan."

SOLDIERS: REQUEST BALLOTS FOR LOUIS-IANA PRIMARIES: Washington- Primary elections for the state of Louisiana will be held Jan. 18 and February 29. All Servicemen whose voting residence is Louisiana and who wish to bote in these elections should request absentee ballot applications post cards from orderly rooms. If unavailable these ballots may be requested from the Secretary of the State, Baton Rouge, La. Free mail privilege may be used. See War Department Circular No. 304 for further details.

5 MARINES MEET 75 JAPS---ONE NIP GETS AWAY: Bougainville- Five American Marines and 75 Jap soldiers met at a river here and for two and a half hours fired at each other. When quiet was restored there were 74 dead Japs piled on one river bank and five very live marines were still shooting from the other. The 75th Jap escaped somehow.

The five Marines are
Sgt. Bernard Brown, 30, a
former policeman of Saranac
Lake, W.Y.; Cpl Ozer Logan
22, of Remlapa, La.; Cpl.
Lewis Trott, 22, of Hyattsville, Md.; Pfc J. E. Barlo,
19, of Trenton, N.J. and Pfc
Joseph Les, of Roselle, N.J.

CH RUED ROOM 'WINS' HUBBIES:
Northhampton, Mass. A charmed room at Smith College here has a waiting list a mile long.
The last twelve occupants of the room have married. The last occupants of the room to win a husband were two WAVES.

SOLDIER SWITCHES SVEETTE: SNAFUS SHOP-PLAS SELVICE: New York-Regina Sherwood of the Soldier's Shopping Bureau, National Catholic Community Service, received this letter from a soldier stationed overseas: "Dear Miss Sherwood, I am enclosing \$10 for a gold compact. Could you please have it inscribed, "To Mary Jane with Love?"

Affew days later Miss Sherwood received another note. "Dear Miss Sherwood,"this one said, "Will you please change that inscription from Mary Jane to Fifi?"

(Fickle, don't you think????)

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The Chrisamas Spirit

LT. COL. FREDERICK C. FROMMHAGEN, CHAPLAIN

Christmas 1943! And so different from other years, in so many ways. Some of us will be fortunate, and through a furlough, will be able to spend it "at home". Some of us will be here "on duty ". Some will have a loved one missing as he spends his Christmas "overseas". To some it will be their first Christmas away from the home folks. No matter where we are or who we are, this Christmas will not be the same.



It will be different also in what we can give or receive in gifts. Rationing, priorities, dimouts, the demands of war, and higher prices will make a difference. But these things are all outward. Our material celebration of The Event may be affected. Yes, even our mental appreciation may be affected by the separations and shortages. But Christmas of 1943 in spirit will be the same. And no matter where we are, or what we may do, I am sure like the little lad who once said, "At the mention of Christmas, I tingle all over."

The Message "That God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten. Son" is still the same. That man, since the first singing of the Angel Chorus in Bethlehem over 1900 years ago, has not replied in kind to the Love of God, and has made the conditions of today possible, is another story. It should bring very sober reflections amidst our celebration. But we will leave that for our moments of sermonizing, or philosophizing, on this poor world's condition.

You and I are doing our part to make the Christmas Message true. So where ever you may be, at home or here, fellow officers, nurses, Wacs, Medical Detachment, or patients, may you "tingle" with the "joy" of this Christmastide. May your hearts and spirits be merry, at work or at play, in the sweet carols of the angels! Song, the wise men's story, or the shepherd's vision. And may through it all you feel God's Benediction for the coming year.

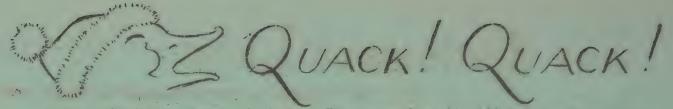
Miss Katherine M. Ryan

CHIEF LIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Nineteen hundred and forty-four years ago the first Christmas Greeting was sent. It was directed to the discouraged but uncomprehending inhabitants of the world by their Creator. The profound meaning of the message, and the deep love for mankind which it expressed, were almost obscured by its simplicity: "Peace on earth, to men good will."

Of all the gifts in the power of a Supreme Being to bestow or desire for His mortal children, the greatest blessing He could wish for humanity was not wealth, or power, or fame -- not even happiness which we pursue so desperately --- but peace.

In a more personal vein, I wish to extend to all my sincere wishes for health and happiness, not only this Christmas, but for all that are to follow long after our association at Tilton Hospital is but a memory.



Another Christmas season is here. For some of us it will be the third spent at Tilton and for others the first. At this time we are thinking particularly of those who have left the fold for duty in other climes and to them we raise our glasses in a toast. To:

JACK SCHULTZ; "ZIM ZAM" ZIMMERMAN; NUTTER; NEWMAN; OSBOURN; "TUCK" WAINWRIGHT; TODD DEVAN; TOMM.IE LIDE; THOMPSON; NEIMAN; CHARLIE BOHNENGEL; RAY DERRIG; TREMAINE; SOL HAIMES; "MOON" WALDMAN; CHRISTMAN; "BUCK" BRADY; WALTER FAY; CHAPLAIN GREBNER; WOLFGANG KLEMPERER; COLONEL UPSHUR; STEVE MEIGHER; COLONEL RICH; O'DONNELL; JERRY GRUNNAGLE; GEORGE SOMMER; "BLIMP" CLAGETT; SAUL SOLOMON; BILL COOPER; EMILE STOLOFF; LITMAN; POLY; RUBERT RANEY; JOE IVIE; COLONEL MAKEL; NOLFO; LINTON BUTTREY; TUCKER; McKEE; CHAPIN; HORN; BRUCE STEWART; BY SMITH; "HANK" KIND; DOUG WHITE; COLONEL HOLT; JOHN O'LEARY; COLONEL BRODKIN.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to you all wherever you may be. MERRY CHRISTMAS and the best of luck in the world.

Our one-armed friends are now playing second fiddle to the Pool Table. Those who used to yell, "jack-pot" are now yelling "eight ball in the corner, nine ball in the side." The sharks include: MESSEY, WETZEL, WOODRUFF AND SI KATZ (is there anything he can't do?) Baby shark is BUD TURNBULL who is a-tryin' hard."



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TILTON GENERAL HOSPITAL
FORT DIX NEW JERSEY

Dear Santa:

24 December 1943

Please bring me.....

A paper doll that I can call my own. -- AL MILLER
An assistant. -- EARL SAXE
A President for the Officers' Club Board. -- "ACE" DUNLAP
A bright and shiny slot machine with a guaranteed jackpot. -- P. B.
HENON

A 72-hour VOCO - "JUICE" FREDIANI Some BOY Babies. -- SI KATZ

A real live baby doll, either sex. -- JOHN CONLEY.

A pair of Captain's bars (they don't have to be new). -- LATIMER, HEALY, HAYES, EICHELBERGER, SWARTZ, PRESS, FINEMAN, JOHNSON, and JOULE.

- Tilton Talk -

Santa Claus, 24 Dec 43, Continued.

If you don't have time to stop at Tilton just drop a flock of War Bonds as you fly over. We can all use them."



'Twas the nite before Christmas, Everyone had went That is, except the FIFTY PERCENT!



Monday, December 6th, the Staff got together to honor "The Little Colonel" HENRY BRODKIN, who left to join the Staff of another hospital. Bouquets were thrown back and forth, FITZGERALD was back in form, and everyone had a good time. Good Luck, "Odds".

What happened to SI KATZ' engagement party? What happened to SI KATZ' engagement? What happened to.....sigh, sigh....(strictly local)

Again we ask the question we asked in 1941 - "That do you like most about the Christmas Season?"

COLONEL S. JAY TURNBULL: LT. COL. HENRY COTTON:

LT. EDGAR 'HOWARD: 'MAJOR OLIVER J. MENARD: MAJOR 'SOLOMON WEINTRAUB:

MAJOR MARSTON T. WOODRUFF: LT. COL. SANNER:

CAPTAIN FRANK SMITH: LT. COL. HAROLD HERMANN: LT. COL. ALEX MILLER:

MAJOR STEVENS J. MARTIN:

CAPT. JOHN D. OSMOND, JR: CLFT. EVERETT GRANTHAM:

LT. JOHN LATIMER: CAPT. JACK BERK: LT. ELI EICHELBERGER:

MAJOR MARTIN WEITZ:

CAPT RUBIN MILLER:

"Egg-Nog."

"Tom and Jerrys."

"To be home and enjoy myself."

"The Xmas Season serves as a constant reminder to all of us that there is some good in every generation and that the message, 'Peace on Earth, Good will to Men' holds hope and gives us faith again in our fellow men."

"Watching my children enjoy Christmas."

"The anticipation of a strengthened love for Peace and a Peace made the more secure for having successfully met the present challenge should be sufficient, even though we be separated from our loved ones, to make our hearts merry during this 1943 Xmas Season."

"Watching the patients eat dinner."

"Mistletoe."

"A smile on the faces of the grouches, including myself."

"Its spiritual atmosphere has always served to tighten family ties; further 'good comradeship and make new friends."

' "The renewal of friendships."

"Good fellowship that everyone shows toward one another."

"egg=Nog, etc."

"The spirit of friendship and good fellowship."
"Xmas morning and helping the kids playing with their electric train."

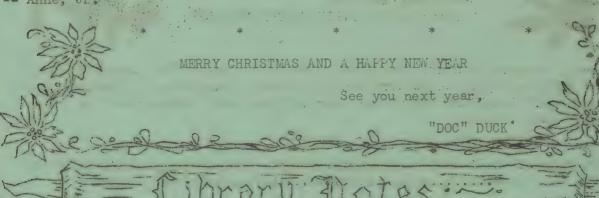
"Happy faces of my children when they get their gifts on "Amas morning."

"Spirit of brotherly love that prevails around the world." (Cont.-next page)

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CARMEL FITZGERALD GRANTHAM's picture adorns a different magazine each month. She is really "covering the covers."

The NAJOR HANNAs received their Xmas bundle early - a five pound baby girl



BY HELEN Z. DETWEILER "BOOK GIFTS THAT ARE SURE TO PLEASE"

"BOOKS ARE THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFTS"

So Little Time Marquand The Bible . . . Designed to be read this was a state and the as living literature The Apostle Asch : do miss of War and Peace Tolstoy A Tree Grows in Brooklyn "... . Smith On Being a Real Person . . Fosdick . Douglas Also the Hills Keyes Cartoon Cavalcade . Edited by Craven was a sure of the supplied by Fitzgerald Big Rock Candy Mountain. . . Stegner. Long Ago Woollcott A Treasury of Science. . . . Edited by Burma Surgeon

Outline of History . . . Wells

. . . Pyle: We Cannot Escape History . Whitaker .

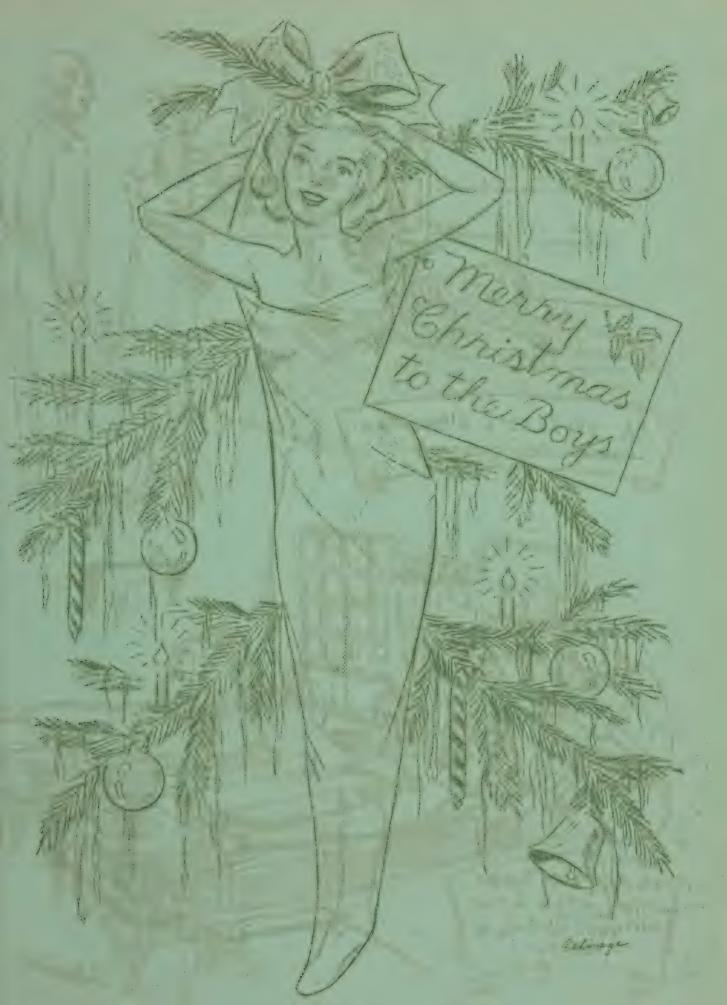
Greetings from the Library

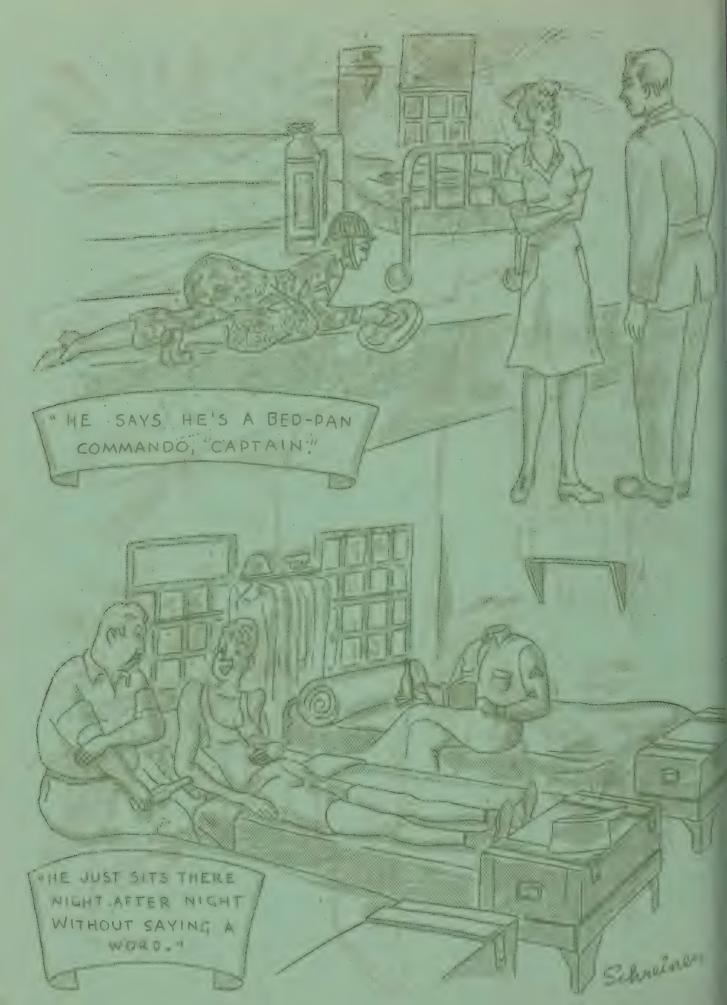
. . . Seagrave Shapely

The Charm of Christmas lies in the thought that we live in the memory of our friends.

> For Christmas: Give WAR BONDS The present with a future. S. Committee Cont.

Here is Your War







Welcome to the following who have joined us this month: 2d Lts. Theresa Pejank, Catherine L. O'Brien, and Esther M. Woodward.

It seems like the Air Corps is showing the nurses at Tilton how to spend enjoyable evenings. Quite a few have been attending the Air Base Dances and Lts. Dorothy Carter, "Cedar" Byard, and Catherine Pierson, have had the thrill of "riding" in the air. On a night plane trip, they described the scene below as looking like an immense amusement park. Miss Byard and Miss Pierson also experienced their first ride in a jeep the same evening when they rode from the field to the Air Base club.

The girls who have been riding recently have found the horses quite spirited since cold weather began. Two of the girls fell from their horses, but, fortunately were not injured--however, they were stiff for days afterwards.

Which nurse was awakened by her fellow mates in Quarters I at 11:30 one evening and told it was time to go on duty? She got dressed, brushed her teeth, etc. but when she began to take the curlers out of her hair, the girls confessed. Cauld it have been Lt. Byard?

Speaking of Quarters I, the girls wish to announce the death of "Willie", the three-legged turtle. No autopsy was performed but some blame it on malnutrition.

CHRISTMAS

Snow upon the ground 'Happiness all around That's Christmas.

Sleighbells in the air Warm hearts everywhere: That's Christmas.

Peaceful firesides : Where contentment lies
That's Christmas. :

A Blue starry sky
Spirits that are high
That's Christmas.

An end to all this Prayer for peaceful bliss That's Christmas.

Pvt. John J. Kelly

Got your Xmas presents yet?
Well, fellas, hurry up:
Your Mom just must have that nice new
dress

Pop, his shaving cup.

Remember sis, she liked to smell, Chanel #5? Me-on-my! And brother Joe liked hats and stuff Uncle Sam said, "GI".

There's aunts and uncles, others too,
The gal you left back home,
They all like to hear from you,
(It says so in this poem.)

Gosh, I forgot, as you did too, We ain't got dough, somehow, So, to you, all the folks, "Yoo-hoo, A Merry Christmas Now!"

Sgt. John E. Bray



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1943 has almost drawn to a close as we write this and look back upon a year crammed with a mixture of events all of which made up the overall happenings of the last twelve months. New officers, nurses, and men constantly came in and left. New friends were made, old friendships broken up. The landscape changed, too, as new buildings

were erected and additions made. Here's a monthly summary of the high spots of the year at Tilton General Hospital to perhaps recall for you a few of the things and people you may have forgotten.

JANUARY: This publication officially welcomed the 90th General Hospital and its CO, Colonel James Taylor after a few months delay...Lt. (then) Faul B. Henon replaced Lt. Martin Healy as TGH Provost Marshaf.... "Rip" Turner and his Tilton Toreadors blared forth at a dance in the Red Cross Bldg with "100. girls in formals" present...Capt. Rubin R. Miller started editing an Army insurance page for "TILTON TALK"...A big list of promotions came out...Marold wright was directing the Tilton Glee Club...

FEBRUARY: Sgt. Fred Ryan's stenciled bust of Abraham Lincoln on the cover of TT drew much comment...The PX restaurant had its face lifted...Sgt.Archie Goldstein, "Athletic Director" was organizing one of his famous checkers round robins...John Rice of QM, announced his intentions to wed in March...3 ldiers took over the PX barber shop....S/Sgt.Cahn, of Finance, won the Fing Fong tournament...All mail leaving Fort Dix was placed under censorship....Lt.Col.Troy became Tilton's new Catholic chaplain...

MARCH: Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Terry, Commanding General, Second Service Command, visited Tilton on an inspection tour.... The new Tilton chapel began to shoot up by leaps and bounds.... TGH Post Office moved into the old Flans and Training Office which moved into its present location... Formal opening of Officers' Lounge was on March 6 with most of the Fort Dix CO's attending.... More promotions... Majors Cotton, Alexander Miller, and Sanner became Lt. Cols.... Second anniversary of activation of TGA....

AFRIL: "TILTON TALK" received a Certificate of Achievement in the contest for Army publications sponsored by Camp Newspaper Service in competition with over 200 other mimeographed sheets...Dietitions and Physical Therapy were sworn in as 2d Lts. in the Army...Willie Hoppe, the genius of the billiard cue, gave a remarkable demonstration in the Non-Coms Dayroom...Finance Section of the Post Office opened with Col S. Jay Turnbull purchasing the first money order....The Less Dept started the campaign against wasting food....

MAY: New barber shop for the Detachment in the Dayroom was opened.....Victory Gardens were being planted all over the hospital grounds...Memorial Day was celebrated with a special Tilton broadcast of "This is fort Dix" featuring patients wounded in action overseas....Program also marked the debut of the TGH orchestra over the air....The Patients put on their own show "The Tilton Follies".....Miss Helen Detweiler became the new Army Jervice Librarian....The new chapel was dedicated....

JUNE: Big social event of the year, the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Turnbull, daughter of Colonel 3. Jay Turnbull, and Ensign Douglas Munnikhuysen, USN, son of Brig. Gen. Henry D. F. Munnikhuysen....Marriage took place in the chapel and was

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presided over by Chaplain (Col.) J. Burt mebster, Chaplain, 2d Service Command, assisted by Capt. George D. Lessley, Tilton Chaplain...The first contingent of MAC arrived at Tilton and was immediately assigned to various departments in the hospital..."TILTON TALK" acquired a WAAC staff member, T/5 Jerry Spiegler ...Lt J. C. Christman departed and Lt E. A. Howard became the new Detachment CO....

JULY: A block dance was held for WAACs and soldiers out in the fire road opposite Barracks al and proved to be a novelty if a little hard on the feet....

Sgt Fred Ryan, "TILTON FALK's" artist for two years, was shipped out.....The death of Colonel Haines, one of TGH's oldest staff members, saddened everyone.

...Colonel Alfred Upshur left to assume command of a general hospital.....Col
S. Jay Turnbull addressed a tour of visitors representing the Can Manufacturers Association....

AUGUST: Second anniversary edition of "TILTON TALK" blossomed forth with the largest issue yet - 40 pages...The WAACs became WACs in the Dayroom as Lt. Col. Henry Cotton, Executive Officer, administered the oath which made them a part of the AUS...."This is Fort Dix" again featured Tilton patients, a nurse, a WAC, a detachment man and the TGH orchestra....

SEFTEMBER: "The Army Hour", a coast-to-coast network show sponsored by the War Department, dropped in at Tilton for a five-minute program featuring soldiers wounded in sicily in connection with the Third war Loan...The QM Dayroom became the Non-Coms...The old Non-Coms' place was changed into the "Jôint" Dayroom for WACs and soldiers...The Cadre moved into Bks 9 with the QM boys and bedlam immediately reigned...Some of the old guard left...Ball, Black, Lusignan, Duke, Kijak, Martin, Opitz, Monahan....Maj Gen Norman T Kirk, Surgeon General of the U.S. Army visited Tilton on a tour of inspection.... "This is Fort Dix" once again at Tilton helped the Third war Loan with a terrific appeal made through 1st Sgt Herbert Merrill, ward 11, and other patients....Col C. M. Dowell retired as CO of Fort Dix, and Col Holmes G. Paullin took over....

OCTOBER: Chaplain Capt. Geo. D. Lessley left Tilton after the longest stay of any other chaplain at TGH...TGH was awarded Superior rating by the Inspector General's Department following the rigid three-day inspection period.....Capt. Jack Messey appointed new CO with Lt E. A. Howard becoming Ass't Adjutant..... The 90th put on a super musical show....Tilton's basketball team entered Fort Dix League....Chaplain Frommhagen arrived....Bigger and better parties were forthcoming....

NOVEMBER: Col Turnbull awarded the pilver Star to two TGH patients for heroism in N. Africa....Pvt Edwin Hylton and Cpl George Thomas....13 week "Refresher" training program got under way under Lt. Harry Yeaton, of the P & T Office..... Maj John & Baldes, TGH Adjutant for over two years, left on temporary duty to attend Command and General Staff School, Ft Leavenworth, Kansas....Lt E..A. Howard made adjutant....Thanksgiving Day, the dinner, and the spirit which appreciated all that we have when so many in the world have so little....

DECEMBER: Training program continued....Bks 2 was changed into a gym with regular schedules for patients, men and officers...Tilton patients presented doll house they worked on since April to the children of Orthopedic Hospital in Trenton, presented by Lt Col miller for Colonel Turnbull...Christmas nearing and the end of another year at war....The Holiday Season always brings a hope for the future, that somehow things will be better next year, and that is our hope now.

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HE WAC ROUND-UP

BY T/5 JERRY SPIEGLER

It's almost Christmas time again. 1943 is slowly passing, and closing another chapter in the book of time. Just olose your eyes and think back—where were you last Christmas? The better part of our company were still civilians, but a handful of us were already learning the meaning of being in service as members of the WAAC.

Captain Bette Alter was a 2nd Lt. with an active interest in hospital administration at the Station Hospital at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Sgt. Marie Keppel was working at the hospital Receiving Office. Vladikin, Corcoran, Christman, Cannady, Harris, Buss Gibson, Timidaiski, Nation, and I were there, but we didn't all know

each other. The snow banks were high, the wind was very cold and icy, in fact, I guess, it was a typical, mid-west winter. The parade grounds, the old PX, the chapel, and the new theatre were the chief sources of pathering, along with Younker's tea-room, and it was a strange and different sensation, being soldiers, for the first time in our natural lives.

As the year progressed, and the WAAC grew as an organization, new people joined the ranks. Fort Des Moines turned out newly processed women by the thousands, along with Daytona Beach, Fla., Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., Fort Devens, Mass, and the 5th WAAC Training Center at Ruston, La., and Monticello, Ark.—Branch A and B. I can write with understanding about Ruston, for I was there. It was really hot, and it took real pioneer spirit to build the camp to the type of place that we later left. When Rankin, Perry, Villian, Lesser, Raney, Perot, Friedberg, Haden, Jodoin, Lynch, Haglund, LeBlanc, Cloud, Forte, and the above named girls from Des Moines, arrived at Monticello and Ruston they were confronted with real living problems, and they took the situation in hand. Lt. White and her hospital mess with its wonderful cookery was the biggest morale building factor down there. Yes, Ruston, with its nearby airfields and training stations, its tropical weather was a priceless experience.

In June, Captain Alter gathered her Company, and went East. We were assigned to Tilton General Hospital, and here we acquired new personnel, new skills and talents from other training centers. It was Frankie Beaman, who had the honor of being the first in our Company to report for duty, introducing herself: "Fvt. Beaman, Sir." (She had already been sworn in at Ft. Ogelthorpe, at an earlier date than the TGH WAC Co.) From Ft. Devens we acquired secretaries and trained clerical workers-Ryan, Manthorne, Massam, Dion, Jackson, LoBello, Terhune, Rassin, Hammond, Vesley, and Sorgatz, and Schoener. From the basic s who trained at Ruston and Monticello came many of the hospital and laboratory workers like DeJohn, Johnson, Taylor, Yankovic, Glazer, Saavedra, Roebles, Ray, Helter, Chrisco, Drew, Levin, Butcher, and others. From Daytona Beach came the drivers, Young, Younkins, Robertson, Priest, Racine, Rihn, and Parnell. Lt. Georgina Brown was assigned to us as Company Officer—and that's how the Company grew.

All together, on Friday, Aug. 13, Lt. Col. Henry A. Cotton, administered the oath of the Army of the United States and we officially became a part of the Army. Soon afterward we received ribbons to denote that we were once members of the WAAC.

And so it goes, it's almost Christmas time again. It's time to be grateful for what this year has brought, and it's time to look forward to a merrier Christmas for the whole world next year.

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NTRODUCING THE WAC

T/4 HELEN RANKIN: Of all the Sergeants in the WAC Medical Detachment, there is none more poised than this Dental-X-Ray technician who comes originally from .ichita, Kansas. On October 26, 1942, she left her civilian job and ventured into the city of Des Moines, Iowa. From there she went to the Station Hospital, Ruston, La., and finally to Tilton General Hospital.

Sgt. Rankin's husband served overseas in the list war under Lt. General Hugh Drum. She finds military life quite agreeable. Sgt. Rankin has worked as a dental technician in many places, the most interesting of which was Hollywood, Cal. While there, she had the pleasure of working on several screen stars, including Olivia DeHavilland, Richard Burthelmess, Reginald Owen and Leon Errol.

PFC MAE ESTELL MEREDITH: Are you allergic to anything??? Blondes, brunettes or just fems? If you are, and you are receiving treatment down in the dispensary clinic, then you certainly must be aware of the Pfc we are introducing in this column. She is Mae Estell Meredith, and she works for Lt. Harry Sw rtz in the Allergy Clinic.

Mae grounted high school a few years go, and soon after went to work for a local dentist in her home town. (Jamestown, New York). She worked for him for a few years, and at the beginning of the war decided that it would be more patriotic to work in a defense plant—until joining the WACs in May, 1943.

She has a definite like for the service, and has hopes of someday seeing the other side of the atlantic. Besides dreaming of things like that,....she enjoys listening to Opera music and dabbling a little at the piano. She is not the only member of her family in service, she has a brother in the Coast Guard.

CPL BETTY PRIEST: Have you ever heard of Fruitacres, in Gleasondale, Massachussetts? Well, that is the name of the Priest farm, and the home of this little Corporal.

Before Betty joined the InC in M rch, she worked for a short time making air-craft instruments in a defense plant. Prior to that, she was a student at Skidmore College, and thought that someday she would devote her life-time activities to social work. Her reasons for joining the NAC are quite similar to the other members of the Corps,...she felt that she had something to do for Uncle Sam that was more urgent than civilian occupations. She received basic training at Daytona Beach, Florida, and to quote her words, "It was grand down there, we lived on the beach in a pretty pink hotel. (It was not originally GI!). I was there for almost three months for I also went to the Motor Pool School for specialized training. It was grand down there."

Bett's job here at Tilton is in the garage, and she is very fond of her surroundings and her work.

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BY SGT. EDDIE JUDGE

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Chalk up another success for the "Fun Department"...And we do mean FUN...

We had our pre-Christmas Party Thursday, December 16th, and a dance following at the Detachment Day Room....Both were a terrific success...The dinner was, as use ual, "out of this world".....During dinner the "Tilton Strollers", Tenk, Gordon and Del Monte, provided the music, and had the Mess Hall "rockin" with community singing.....The tables, as usual, were a "symphony in white", and as Colonel S. Jay Turnbull, CO, Tilton GH, said when he dropped in before dinner was served, "This is the nicest set-up I've ever seen on any Post."......Following the dinner everyone adjourned to the Day Room, where the Tilton Orchestra previded the music for dancing....O, yes, we also had a "Quizz Contest"....The less said about that the better, Prizes were awarded to the six winning contestants, and dancing followed until midnight.....

BOKAYZ AND BRIKBRATZ STOPAINTE OF THE TOTAL TOTA

Once again we give a large Bokay to the Mess Hall St if for their swell job of setting up a perfect dinner right on time, and "right in the groove".....

Here's really somethin!.....Six WACs volunteered for K.P., and did a swell job..... A Bokay to Marge Robertson, Frances Gates, Mary Cornelison, Virgie Alderson and.... Marge Johnson....(There was another WAC, but just couldn't get her name.)......

What would a dinner be without little Max Kirschner, his cigar, and his "hustle and bustle routine"?..... Max is one of our favorite bakers, and the way the dessert disappeared was a tribute to his "art".....

Jerry Gerard, the Major Domo of the Mess Hall, kept one eye on the clock during the last few minutes of preparation before the doors were opened, and right on the button, dinner started at seven o'clock.....

The decorations in the Day Room were the work of al Navatto, Nick Gentile and Ginger McDaniels....And they were "purty", too....Thanks, "fellers".....

That round of applause was in response to a yell from one of the men...."Let's give Captain Messey a hand!"....And Brothers, it was some hand!!....The Captain deserves all we can give him....He is just as interested in these affairs as the men, and we all know and appreciate all he has done....

Our guests, Captain Bette Alter, Lieutenant Georgina Brown and Lieutenant Harold.A. Press, not saying much, but daintily "wolfing" down the delicious steak....

Larry Becker and his "Girl Friday", Ivy Harris, on hand to "make pitchers" of the dinner and dance...(If you want to see them, see Larry in Barrack 1.)

Our Top-Kick, "Mike" McCarroll, missing part of the dance to take care of one of his "boys" who was ill.....

Marge Robertson without Dick Hantell!!!!!........Thought it was Sunday, Monday and Always???.....

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Dot Manthorne said she was "waitin' for the wagon".....
Wonder what she meant?????

"Frankie" Beaman arrived a wee bit late...And "tore into a steak"....But good!!...

Who was that veddy charming WAC Don Conant was holding hands with?.....

Twice he cleaned a full plate, and did a swell job on the French Pastry.....Who else but Murray Eder???!!!...

Why was Pearl Jackson looking for "Charlie" all evening?

Tom DeNora was a recent patient, but is back to his old form.....Jitterbugging and EATING.....

"Brownie" LoBello almost wound up in the hospital againDoing a Polka with John Bray.... "Brownie", John is a "hunk of man" to whirl around a floor with, but you probably know that by now.....

Every dance together, so 'elp me!.... Mickey Marione and "Ginger" McDaniels.....

Stanley Polikoff, had his usual "gleam"....Just the plain, ordinary "havin' a good time" sort.....

Who was the Corporal Mariela Lynch sat out so many dances with?....Sure looked contented!.....

That was Fred White "cummuning with the spirits" or somethin, between dance sets Carroll Doll, as usual, roamed all over the place with Fred....

Wonder why Jerry Spiegler wouldn't talk about her recent predicament, when she was "locked in" and couldn't even wiggle her way out??.....

All in all, folks, we had a swell time, and we'll have a lot more from now on in So Merry Christmas, and a veddy, veddy Happy New Year......



GYM: BARRACK 2



GYM: In case you didn't know, Barrack 2 has now been converted into a gym for use of patients, detachment men, and officers. Under the capable hands of Cpl. Moran, Pfc. Bleber and T/5 Wojciechowski, the gym is open from 8 AM to 9 PM weekdays and from 1 to 5 PM on Saturday and Sunday. Detachment men can workout Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 PM and Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 5 PM. Detachment night men can use the gym every weekday morning from 8 to 10 AM. All

other times are for the patients. So if your muscles need a little uplifting, scoot into the gym for a session of weight lifting, side wall exercises bag punching, etc. And incidentally, if you have any sports equipment kicking around that you den't need, by all means denate it to the gym. Out of town papers, please copy:

VI. WILLIE ELLIS

DILEMMA

BY PVT- ARTHUR R. POSNER

'Twas two weeks before Christmas and all through TGH, not a creature was stirring... not a light was showing--- except in Warehouse #5, where I discovered Al Ciaburri and none other then our own Pvt. WILLIE ELLIS so busily engaged that they accorded me a not even brief glance when I walked in on them.

"WHAT GIVES?" I cried after a few moments when it looked as if I would be totally lost and forgotten mid furrowed brow and tense lip.

With great (for him) dignity, Willie looked up and stated flatly, "Leave us NOT have these petty interruptions; please, strictly Pvt. Posner. Cannot youse see that a problem of m mentous import is befuddling us?"

Totally flabbergasted at this excess of verbiage on Willie's - part, I could only gape for awhile until I regained my poise. Then, peering over their combined shoulders, I saw that the latest issue of TILTON TALK was about to take form. But it seemed that one lone obstacle remained before the paper could finally be completed... and that was - in the Ciaburri's own words, What the heck did Pvt. Pearl Jackson's latest article mean? . . .

Being a journalist of little note back in the days when I was sporting plaid suits and bow ties, I immediately volunteered my services to try to find the meaning behind it all.

With ill concealed delight the Ciaburri and Willie bowed out of the picture and dumped the whole business in my lap. So I sat at the desk. I picked up Pearl's article. I read Pearl's article. I thoroughly digested Pearl's article. I re-read Pearl's article. I wept. I just couldn't understand her point. Mind you, it was excellent writing. . . it was marvelous writing. I just couldn't understand her point.

Sooo- T gave up. And now, dear reader, I am going to leave it all up to you. If you will merely follow the arrow- you will run smack in Pvt Jackson's opus. Decide for yourself, friends. What is it all about? After reading it, just drop us a penny postcard % Tilton Talk. We shall be glad to publish your views in the next issue. . . if we are not mobbed before then by a



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BY PVT PEARL T. JACKSON

What with all the fuss and feathers, or should we say "tinsel and turkey" of Christmas, undoubtedly I should compose at great length about Santa Claus, the spirit of the season, ad infinitum. But being the ornery and perverse sort of soul one often finds in the confines of an army post, I'm not going to mention the word "Christmas" again in this item.

However, if you'll pardon just one little digression, I wish to inform you that this year it's Colonel Claus. You didn't know the venerable Santa held a reserve commission, did you? I'll wager you weren't aware, either, that his trusty reindeer won't transport the Colonel and his cargo this season. An Army jeep is being used for the purpose, affectionately christened "Seedy Selma".

All right. Now to buckle down to the major issues of Army discipline and regulation. AR 615-40, par 4c(4) states! "Have Supply Sgt prepare Form 35 in duplicate, listing clothing sufficient to equip EM properly." Do you follow?

By the way, when Colonel Claus visits Tilton, he's coming by way of the R. & D. Office, and it has been decided that he must fill out all the necessary papers and forms required of any patient. And his name will appear on the A. & D. sheet December 26th, thusly:



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To resume where I left off, AR 615-400, par 4c(4) also states: "Take Forms 35 to Adj for approval on both copies in name of CO." That's clear enough. You prepare the forms, and then you take them to Adj. Anyone can follow those instructions.

The Colonel has sent advance notice that his visit definitely will not be in the manner of a formal inspection tour, and he'd be absolutely delirious with joy if he found dust an inch thick in every ward and barrack.

"For instructions governing exchange of Cl C and the exchange of Cl D clothing and equipage, see WDC 287, 1942, sec VI, and AR 615-40, par 12." Nobody's paying the least attention to these fascinating ARs. I can tell by the vacuum-like expressions adorning every countenance. Well, I'll claim the woman's prerogative; change my mind, and devote the remainder of this piece to Christmas. I know when I'm licked.

Among the bounties the Colonel won't bestow will be a 3-day pass twice a week, Wac K.P.s for Detach Mess, a theatre for Tilton, formal dances every Saturday night champagne with dinner, a skating rink, regular bus service to Wrightstown, a bar and grill on the corner, and a supply of stripes for us all. However, he has promised hope and good cheer, and the assurance of Victory. We have everything. The only gift that remains is Peace, and that will be ours too. This should be a wonderful Christmas! Some day soon, when the world puts down its weapons of war, and again hangs up the holly and mistletoe, we shall remember Christmas, 1943, proud of our part in restoring peace and justice to this weary old globe of ours.

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-that's what I want for CHRISTMAS .

S/Sgt Andy Caetta of the ON Office - recently engaged to miss rauline Canio, says with a broad smile: "She lives in Brooklyn"... Pvt John Kelly, whose poetry appears in TT: "More than anything else to be able to write a room with all the beauty and serenity that surrounded the First Christmas"... Cpl Bob Geiger, of the FRO- is very emphatic: "A decisive victory at shuffle-board for the FRO over Sgts Don Okrazly and John Witko, of the MPs"... Pfc Leonard N. Gilliar, of the Q. O: "My GI shoes filled with gas coupons"... miss katherine m. Ryan, Chief Clerk of Civ. Fersonnel, answers in a dreamy mood: "Something out of this world" (Does she mean what we think she means?)... Mrs Dolores Frey - whose husband 1st Lt. Lou Frey is now in Italy, expresses the hope of millions: "To have Lou come home SJOT"...

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Sgt Don Comant, of aid, whose simatr-ing can be heard from "This is Fort Dix and on many of the TGH affairs, wants his present in the form of: "a pracise of a 3-day pass for New Year's week-end"... Sgt John Holzapfel tells us over and over: "A new pipe" (John has about 45 already)... hiss Jeannatte Caldwell, Recreation Director of the Red Cross at TGH- sighs: "A chance to wear my new evening gown" (Oh, can't we possibly arrange that hr. Santa Claus!?)... Lt mary B. Grierson, ANC, who turns out some real good stuff for TT, says: "The deadline of TILTON T.LK every 2 months" (Not that miss Grierson believes we have any resemblance to Simon Legree). 2d Lt. Eleanor waldman, of the Dictitians, prays for "a visit from a certain someone" (From the Air Corps -maybe??))

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M/Sgt Bill Lavery, of hq - the winnah at the musical quiz program of the Christmas Det party says: "To find Charlotte in my Christmas stocking"... Fic Carl Mace, who spends many extra hours mimeographing II, also complains about us: "A little less work, please!!!" (Dohh!)... T/Sgt Harold weingarten wants to take a - chance on love; he whispers: ""A date with widge Stein"... Sgt George W. Gragg, of Fers. Office, must be in need of a lot of things for he snrugs his shoulders: "It's impossible to get them all"... Cpl Bea (dark eyes) Friedberg misses Chicago and a "visit to Cornell Avenue"... Ltl May Parnett wants to know: ""hat's the longest furlough II can have?"...

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Cpl. Edward S. Winkler says: "It's too much of a big story" (Tell usetell us about it, Ed)... Sgt Gilbert Corwin remembers that the army travels on its stomach: "A steak - I am allergic to turkey"... miss Helen Berger, the hq steno-answers without hesitation: "A mink coat"... Smilin' morris Eder of the TGH orchestra says: "A pistol-packin' set of drums"...

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. Vin Bowden doesn't ask for much: "A one thousand & war Bond" Then he adds quickly: "make it a ten thousand & one"... Hq. Steno midge Stein tells us confidentially: "A Brince Charming - in uniform"... mary Simonko of the Fers. O: "A baby grand piano"... Cpl.Ray williams, of the Fost O: "The 7th month after the duration"... mr Bob Kucker, also of the Fost O: "A surprise pkge"... Lee Bracia, the genial officers' club man friday, has Florida on his mind: "Just one wk in miami Beach; with pay, of course"... Cpl.Ken Myers of our Dept says simply: "A grey suit with shirt and tie to match"...

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Mrs Rosemary Frediani says: "Hitler's death certificate"... Pfc. Smetzer whose kindness in helping to stencil TT is gratefully acknowledged, tells us: "I want to go to a formal- & wear my 'gold' shoes and dance all night"... (All right, Myrna, all right)... Sgt. John T. Francy asks of Santa Claus: "What have you got to offer?"... Miss Charlotte Gollinick of the med Service: "A dozen pair of seamless stockings size 9½" (Sgt Lavery please note)... Pvt. John Daisey: "A wristwatch, by all means"... Sgt. Bill Norvell, the new groom: "To be home with my wife"... Miss Florence walters is dreaming of a White Christmas: "Flenty of snow," she says...

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Miss Helen Detweiler, the librarian: "A fur coat..mink..blonde variety"... Pvt.John C. Cookingham, of the MPs, is in earnest: "Fipe cleaners- they are hard to get, you know"... Sgt.Albert Navatto, whose heart belongs to Raritan answers guickly: "Wedding Bells"... T/Sgt. Johnny Congell -'the laughing boy'-says laughingly: "A new suit- any color"... And Prc.Louis DePoto, of warehouse #1, tells us meaningly: "Gloria"... Postal-Fackin' Margeret Ryan hits on a rich note: "A millionaire"... Cpl.Nathan Vonderlippe of the MPs puts in his order: ""A paper doll that I can call my own"... Sgt.John Haines, of the Registrar's: "A fireplace and a pair of slippers"... Cpl.Carroll V. Doll of the 1st Sgt O-wants: "Plenty of cigarets"... Pfc.Bob.McNee has nothing to ask of Santa Claus: "Not a thing" he repeats...

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Miss Helen Turnbull says pronto: "New Year's day off"... The good artiste Cpl. Charlie Selvage requests some art books and "A letter from a gal back home" he confides... Cpl. Nick Gentile smiles wisely: "Are you kiddin'?"..... Sgt. Ed Young of the QM garage whispers: "Alice"... Sgt. Albert Fells: "Gommuters' tickets to New London, Conn"... Fyt. Annette Cloud would be happy with a doll: "They have them in the PX," she adds...

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Cpl. Dan Crecca, the EENT photo-artiste: "Hitler's mustache"... Bob
Bergen, the CM Sgt. says: "A C-Book and 4 new tires"... S/Sgt. Fred Tripodo, however, would be satisfied with only: "Four new tires"... Cpl. Jerry Spiegler
has this to say: "A Caduceus"... Sgt. Jack Schwartzer, the good maestro of the TGH
orchestra: "A Varga girl - brunette"... Sgt. Fred white: "Stronger voices to sound
off at formation"... Sgt. Ed Judge: "New York and a beautiful doll"... 2d Lt. F.
Del Vecchio: "To be where my heart belongs"... --- Hore's wishin' these wishes come true.... MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

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CHEVRONS: The sun broke through the clouds the first of this month and cast a bright light on these newly-added stripes:

From the WAC's: Col. Mabel A. Lesser went to Sgt., Cpls. Minnie J. DeJohn and Ludmila Vladikin to T/4, Pfc. Elizabeth Priest to Corp., and Pfc. Inez L. Ray and Verla E. Ghrisco to T/5.

From our own Detachment:
Pfcs. Frank M. Lombardi, Matt Moran,
and Pvt. John J. Grant to Corporal.
To t/5 went Pfcs. Carl G. Dahlgren,
Louis Smith, Joseph P. Sullivan, Roy
E. Sanders, Jr., Charles E. Selvage,
George A. Moore, Arthur A. Setbon,
and Pvts. Leon Mazursky and Edwin J.
Stoll. And oh yes, from the Finance
Dept: Pvt. Milton R. Adler won his
two stripes.

B**B**S: We trust that those nasty little vermin whom we shall leave unnamed have finally been banished from the CQ's office in Barrack #1. Ribbons are hereby awarded to Cpl. Nick Gentile, who gassed them out, and strictly Pvt. Art Posner, who acted as a human guinea pig and discovered them in the first place.

UPCRADES: Now is about as good a time as any to report that Sgt. Dick Mantel has now officially assumed the title of Mess Steward in the Mess Supply. Wha'dat, Dick? And S/Sgt Fred Tripodo is now acting Veterinary Sgt...f'goodness sakes!

MORE CHEVRONS: B'gosh, bringing up the rear this month are two more promotions not listed in paragraph 1 above, T/5 Pels went to buck Sgt., and our own disciple Pfc. Joe Rozof is now sporting two stripes. Then, too, the following 20 privates are now pfc.'s...courtesy of our CO, Capt. Jack Messey:

Jim Walsh, Lorenzo Viano, Sam Ruhl, Bill Rowan, Lou Perretti, Chuck Miller, Danny M.nfredo, Karl Lehmann, Tom Kelly, John Kaprol, Jim Judd, Fred Johnson, Coop Hancock, Jerome Giannone, Joe Geist, Pat Finegan, Dixie Dixon, Sid Crastnopel, Larry Becker, and Frankie Angiolillo.

STILL MORE B**B**S: Seems that paragraph 2 above did not quite tell the whole tale, for those nasty little vermin had to take another shellacking before the CQ's office was rid of them. This time Sgt. Al Navatto went after them with a flaming blowtorch. Not only did it clean out the next but now the CQ's joint has a hunting-lodge wall effect!

THIS IS TILTON: T/5 Dan Crecca absorbed in a book under the dim latrine light after 9 o'clock...Cpl. Walter We therhead scouting TGH for malignant corns and bunions...."Disciple" Joe Rosof flecking the dirt off his new corporal's stripes every few minutes. Sgt. Pels jumping everytime someone yells "T/5!"...Pfc Larry Becker planning to take bigger and better pictures for bigger and better stripes.... Leather-voiced Sgt. Cross routing out the boys in the wee hours of the morning....Pvt. Frank Pizzolanti, always with a smile.....Cpl. Matt Moran and Pfc. Bieber, with their "own exclusive" apartment in Barrack #2...Sgt. Fred White-"toughest" NCO around Tilton-but good ... Cpl. Len Marcus -a CPA turned bug-chaser with bigger and better plans for fumigation.

STORK: Congratulations are due Major and Mrs. E. A. Hanna upon the birth of a daughter, Anne. Major Hanna reports that mother and child are doing wonderfully, thank you.

PUFFER: T/5 Si Morris, presented with a cigar by his boss Major E. A. Hanna (the proud father of a 5 pound girl) was a sight for decrepit eyes as he grimly puffed and huffed and puffed away to the bitter end, For, you see, 'twould have never done to cast away a half-smoked stogie. But Si made it in good health, we are happy to report.







"We, as a Red Cross unit here, wish at this time to express our sincere appreciation for the unity in support given us by everyone at Tilton. True, our primary and sole purpose for being here is to render service. However, the fine spirit that has been exemplified at Tilton toward us has been a dominating factor in enabling us to render this service to the greatest numbers in the most expedient manner.

"As this issue of TILTON TALK goes to press, sincerest Season's Greetings go to every "Tiltonite' from each member of our Staff."

S/ Joanna W. Winfield Field Director

A thumb-nail sketch of the Red Cross building from now until Christmas would include a variety of activities that might remind one of Christmas week in a very large family.

Patients are making Christmas cards, wrapping packages to send home, making Christmas tree decorations out of drinking straws, pine cones, nuts and whatnot. They are putting finishing touches on the dollhouse. They are getting together troubadour costumes for a traveling (around the wards) troupe of carol singers and for tableaux to be shown here in the Recreation Hall. Our Christmas chreche the figures which were carved out of soap by bed patients, is on display now, and before long there will be a stained glass window back drop on the stage, now being planned and drawn by Mrs. Brown's art class.

Besides the Christmas projects and doings which the patients are working on themselves, we can report that presents from groups outside the hospital are coming on by mail for the patients and will be presented on Christmas Eve here in the hall to a representative from each ward.

On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, there will be something doing all day long, in the hall and on the wards. Watch for the printed Christmas program.

A Merry Christmas to everyone in the hospital and a word of welcome to the patients who are not going home for Christmas. Come in and join our celebrations. We will be glad to have you.

WACS AT WORK

There is a WAC in the pharmacy who understands her job through and through and an intricate and skilled job it is at that! T/5 Helen Hays, a graduate pharmacist from the University of Washington. Her job, although she denies it, is really somewhat glamorous from the point of doing something necessary in this war effort. She fills prescriptions, supplies the wards daily with pharmaceuticals, makes tablets, fills capsules, keeps records of alcohol and narcotics used in the hospital and a lot of odd jobs - like helping to keep the pharmacy immaculate for inspections.

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ORIENTATION mer

This word has given rise to many discussions as to its exact meaning in Army terminology. However, "WEBSTER" seems

quite clear in his definition. quote, in part: "Awareness of the existing situation, with reference to time, place, and identity of persons." Currently, the Army is placing emphasis on orientation as it concerns our status in the present war. WHY? WHO? WHEN? WHERE? These are questions that each of us should have an answer for. In line with this, the Training Office is drawing up a comprehensive program which, we feel, will be interesting as well as informative. A part of this program has been the recent showing of the "Battle of Russia." The cooperation this office has received ... in the past, by all concerned, on other large and difficult programs allows us to enter into this new plan with confidence and enthusiasm.

With many officers and men traveling during the Xmas holidays, members of the Medical Department will have an opportunity to show the public and the rest of the armed forces that we are capable of being well-mannered, orderly, and know, as well as practice, all courtesies. It is our opinion that to be outstanding in this respect is not difficult. What better reward could be expected than to be a part of an organization that has a reputation for being a little better than the next one? However, this can only be accomplished by the cooperation of every officer and soldier. ISN'T IT WORTH A TRY?

Correction:

The last issue of Tilton Talk in

mentioning the names of the members of this office made one very obvious omission, to wit: Sgt. White. A most important member of our training staff. Sgt. White has an enviable reputation among the officers and enlisted men of the post. Seldom, if ever, has he been found in error on things military. He really knows his "book." The Sgt. has such a quiet unassuming manner of accomplishing a myriad of duties that it is quite common to overlook him as we have -- that is, until something important needs doing, right away --- then, 'immediately the thought is "Sgt. White."

The basic training program prescribed for the A.N.C. will be brought to a conclusion during the current week. We hasten to express our thanks to Capt. Droddy and the members of her staff for the manner in which they have cooperated with this office. We feel that the spirit exhibited by the nurses has aided materially in the accomplishment of our mission. The comments made by the various lecturers have been of a highly complimentary nature, and if their efforts have added something to the general "know how" of the "Ladies in White", are more than pleased to have of assistance. We assure you that the duty has been a pleasant one, and frankly, we are going to miss our little "cram sessions."

DID YOU KNOW THAT : "Come I'm direct

We must continue to mention the need for a better observance of the hand salute? ESPECIALLY -- between officers.

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THAT It is customary to immediately YOURSELF identify your OFFICE and YOURSELF when, either receiving or initiating a telephone call. The following of this custom has been most conspicuous by its absence.

THAT,

The Army is in need of 1,000 additional women dieticians.

All personnel going out of doors to mess halls and other places must wear not less than a field jacket. Also, wear your hat. Too many of-ficers and soldiers are seen around the post sans hat. Aside from the violation of military customs, it greatly accelerates the possibility of upper respiratory infection.

Soldiers, who so desire may work in various capacities, for our country's railroads, during Christmas furloughs or passes. The state of the s

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THAT,

You fall in, at attention, with no talk, no laughter, AND NO SMOKING!:

"DID YOU KNOW" must make its first correction, to wit: The item concerning military courtesies to be rendered on open and closed ramps around this hospital, should have read --- "Military courtesies as prescribed" for indoors will be observed in closed ramps, and as prescribed for outdoors on all open ramps of and this :

The new gymnasium opposite the Hans and Training Office will be available for use by the MBRF each Monday and Wednesday night between 1900 and 2100. The facilities : are excellent and every officer should avail himself of this opportunity to build the "body beautiful".

During the Christmas holidays article of war 61 should be borne in

THAT,

This office would like a really authoritative report on the HOW? WHY? "HEN? "HERE?" etc., ". on "The Wearing Of The Hat" ... by the female members of our armed forces.

THAT,

Less profane language would be more, acceptable especially since nearly everywhere around our 'post a member of the opposite sex may

SWIMMING IN OUR EDITORIAL "FISHBOWL"

We notice that some of the newer members of the pool, have brought ice skates rather than bathing suits, much to the disgust of the older members who have been put on ice apparently for the duration.

.. Who is going to win the "cadence contest" between the WAC and the Detachment while they march to and from Theatre #3 each week?

.We wonder what the attraction is in the rear of the column that makes the soldiers look around while marching. IN THE BEST OF FAMILIES THIS IS NEVER DONE, YOU: KNOW.

J.G.M. SPORTS REPORT R.C.G.

Since the last appearance of this column, Tilton's casketball team has broken exactly even, which doesn't seem so wonderful on the face of it, but which is still a percentage improvement over the results of the first four games played. Moreover, in the two games played since the last issue of "TILTON TALK" the calibre of play has certainly improved, which is a very encouraging sign. The 85th Division was met and almost conquered, but a last minute basket choked off a last half Tilton rally and the Custermen won 32-30. Harold Bieber led the scorers for Tilton in this game with nine points followed by Frank Mojciechowski who made six. The boys showed that they weren't just a quick-starting outfit by scoring eighteen points in the second half after trailing 19-12 when the first period ended.

Buoyed by this turn of affairs, Sgt. John Frame's men came out on December 13th and took the measure of the 38th AAA Group by a 31 - 23 score. TGH led 15-8 at the half in this game with Sgt Leo Cross tossing in four baskets for eight points and with Si Morris, playing for the first time this season; following him with six. This victory left the boys with a 2 and 4 record in the won and lost column, a summary which looks much worse than it really is by the way, for every game lost has been a close, hard-fought contest, and Tilton hasn't been humbled by anybody, least of all by the Reception Center, which is also playing a snappy outside schedule with "big" teams.

SHORT *SHOTS:

Tilton's newest player is Ill, and we don't mean that as a crack.....That's his bonafide name, and he looks like a promising prospect as the saying goes Hit the hoop for a basket in his first time out against the 38th AAA Group.....Si Morris and Ed Stold both wear their glasses while they play.... with glass guards, of course, which make them look something like the Man in the Iron wask ... Doesn't seem to stop them from getting around, though Probably the two men on the team in the best condition are Bieber and Wojciechowski (or Wojie as the scorers would rather have him) ... They train patients in the gym with calisthenics, lift weights by the hour themselves and generally build themselves up.... Naturally, rarin' to go on the court ... and, they have been doing all right, too Leo Cross's blond wife is a "regular" at most of the games, watching the Sarge grunt and groan as he races around the floor Cy Fox and Leonard Larcus are among the most consistent followers of the club.... Next club to meet Tilton will be the 15th General Hospital at the Arena, Friday, Dec. 24th, Christmas to be exact.... The ping pong table from the Detachment Dayroom has been moved to the gym where there is infinitely more room.... One of the favorite indoor sports seems to be the electric rifle, which is back in good working order again... Best way to "beat" it is to take only one shot each time parachutist passes by Speaking of sports equipment, how about taking better care of what we've got. especially the pool tables. replace the covers, don't try "fancy" shots which will knock cue tips off or rip the felt. don't drop ashes; or cracker crumbs on the playing surface, and don't put coke bottles down part of the table Good care will make the coulpment last longer and will reflect pravorably on our consideration for common property. * * * * * *

LUST: In L/R- one book "If duesn bondage" Finder please contact Editor. . . .

Edythe Leone, Registrar's, to Pfc L. Gold, Fin. J. . .



TO REPORT ALL MOLATIONS OF ORDERS I AM INSTRUCTED TO ENFORCE



DISTANT FROM THE GUARDHOUSE THAN MY OWN.

The barmaid was a flirt and when the Cpl went out to buy a paper she pursed her lips invitingly, and leaned over the bar toward the shy young Private. Putting her face against his, she whispered: "Now's your chance, darling"

The Private looked around the empty room, and said - "So it is," he then promptly drank the Corporal's beer!!!



PVT: "But if a man is on his hands & knees in the middle of the road, that doesn't prove he's crazy, does it?"

M.P. "NO, it doesn't, but you were trying to roll up the white line"

Mary has a little swing It isn't hard to find; Everywhere that Mary goes The swing is right behind.



DEAR EDITOR: Should a father of 50... get married again?

No --- that's enough children for any one : man.

A middle-aged woman fell out of a window into an ash can. A chinaman hap-pened to pass and remarked: "Melican velly wasteful. .: That woman good for ten years yet". . .



"Come up and see me," said the dizzy: blonde covly: "Just ring the door-bell with your elbow".

"Why with my elbow?" asked the gallat medic.

"Well, for gosh sakes, you're not comin"

empty-handed, are you?"...

"I saw your car parked on that sideroad last night. Tire down?"

"No---didn't need to! !!"

"What do naughty Egyptian girk become?"

"Mummies". .

The Sergeant (we mention no names) ... was convinced he had enough will power to pass his favorite tawern on his way home. As he approached it, he became somewhat shaky, but remembering his resolve, he walked past the door. Then after going about 50 yards he turned and said: "Well done, me boy, come back now and I'll treat ya". .

It's when a girl is sitting out a dance that she is apt to make the most missteps

Little Willie: re, Mother?" Mother: L. W.

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"How did you get he-

"God sent me": "And grandma?"

"God sent her"

"How about great -grandma?"

"God sent her, too"

"Good gosh, our family must be going to pot. Doesn't ANY of our women know the facts of life?"

SIGN IN RESTAURANT: Mary had a little lamb /- what'll you have???"

Have you heard yet about the moron who worked so long in the morgue he got slab-happy? . . .

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PATIENTS RECREATION WALL

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Tuesday	Dec.	21	Decorating Tree in Rec. Hall	d du	Evening
Wednesday	Dec.	22	Movies: To be announced	Hall	5:45 and
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Thursday	Dec.	23	Sweethearts and Disters Christmas Part	y	7:00 PM
Friday	Dec.	24	Burlington County Farty	Hall	2:00 PM
06/3			Parties	Wards	Afternoon
			Refreshments	Hall	3:00 PM
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			Christmas Skit and Carols		6:30 PM
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			Phila. Council of Defense - Xmas Show	4	7:00 PM
Saturday	Dec.	25	Community Sing Refreshments	4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2 + 5 PM
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			"THIS IS FORT DIX" Radio Broadcast		,3:00 PM
Monday	Dec.	27	Movies: To be announced	Hall	5:45 and
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Wednesday	Dec.	29 .	Movies: : To be Announced	Hall	5:45 and
			"Ruggles of Red Gap"	Wards	7:30 PM
Thursday	Dec.	30	Patient Show		7:00 PM
Friday	Dec.	31	Tentative Entertainment		22 97 22 1
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			"Spitfire"	Ward	7:30 PM
Tuesday	Jan.		Women's Service Council Musical Quiz		7:00 PM
Wednesday	Jan:	5	Movies: To be Announced	Hall	5:45 and
***			"Parson of the Paniment"	Ward.	7:30 PM
Thursday	Jan.		Patient Variety Show	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -	7:00 PM
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	Weekday Mass	7:00 AM Thursday Song Service 7:45 PM	
	Saturday Confession 4:30 -		
		JEWISH	
	CHRISTMAS EVE: Midnight Mass	(Chapel) Friday, Worship Service 5:45 PM	

